THE PIGMY AND THE GIANT.

Alexander H. Stephens' Terrible Rencontre with Judge Cone in 1848.

ing taken, against the wishes of a majority of the southern members, a eyes still flashed undauntedly. mest prominent part in opposition to such acquisition, he was met with throat!" hissed Cone. much adverse criticism. Judge Cone. who was at the time one of the lead- the almost lifeless Stephens. ing politicians of Georgia, was particularly severe in his comments upon Mr. Stephens' action, and was reported the prostrate man caught it in his and dutiful servants, have all grown as having publicly denounced him as right hand. Clean through his mus- cold in dust. And seventy-five wina traitor to the south.

his home when these and similar re- vital part. With desperate strength boat, his life companion long since ports were conveyed to him. At first Cone tried to wrench it free. with a laid away, and his surviving children he did not credit them, but as one grasp almost of death the horribly stand at the head of their own families. kind friend after another informed mangled and mutilated hand still one of whom is a leading physician of him that Cone had called him a trait- held it fast. In the struggle Stephens your town. or and advised, in the true southern was once more dragged to his feet The Narrating these reminiscences to spirit, that he owed it to himself to blood was rushing in streams from his me as we sat alone in his drug-store. demand what is called "satisfaction," the fires of pugnacity in his nature, which sought his brave heart began book, took from it a yellow litchi leaf, the head of the column, drove off a which were always smouldering, hissed to relax. He was dying. But when a gift from the late Dick Robinson, of few of the leading steers in the direcup, and he declared that if Judge he believed the next moment would Garrard, who stated that Gen. Nelson Cone would admit having called him be his last, strong men came to his re- had I roken the branch that bore it followed, and the herd was soon in Gilead" in the use. Hop Bitters. a traitor to the south he would "slap lief. The madman Cone was secured from a bough that hung over the head full flight. The herders made no efhis face." Not long after this he met and held fast. the judge at a numerously attended

quietly said: "Judge Cone, I have been told you it such reports are true.'

"No, sir," was Cone's reply, "they are not true."

"I am very glad to hear you say so," said Mr. Stephens, cordially and in the same friendly tone continued: "Of course I do not desire to be in any way offensive to you, Judge Cone, but in order that we may have no further misunderstanding through the misrepresentation of others, think it right to tell you that I have said I would slap your face if you admitted having used the language at-

tributed to you. Upon this the judge again disowned having spoken disrespectfully of Mr. Stephens, and so for the time the affair ended. It was the subject of discussion all over the state, however, and the general verdict was that Judge Cone, a very powerful man by the way, had shown the white feather to "Little Aleck Stephens." In such a community no public man resting under such a charge could hope either for political preferment or | Stanford, (Ky.,) Journal. popular respect. Cone, of course, the truth of reports regarding which waters of the Dix river.

threats regarding me."

cline to discuss it further."

swer?" asked Cone, excitedly give you," was the calm reply.

scar across his cheek.

Wild with pain and passion, with- he subdued it. gash in his arm, but leaching no vital point; eighteen times it cut deep
into his breast arms and body,
but still he did not fall. Then he
with a span of beautiful bays. The

THE REV. GEO. H. THAYER, of
Bourbon, Ind., says: "Both myse!f and
wife owe our lives to SHILOH'S CONtempting his arrest for previously firing on
SUMPTION CURE." For sale by Bard
Otto Hinkle, a freighter, who was his rival could hold out no longer. No courage, General and all his passing over, he & Miller.

During Mr. Stephens' congressional ing fell upon his back. The giant after time but lost to sight, in cars for Chicago. There was about service, and pending the campaign Cone was at his throat in a moment; memory dear there grew up a solid of 1848, he returned from Washing- his head, by a grip of iron, was held Jackson man (though of Whig rais- the property of a Mr De Hass, a very ton to Georgia. He was fresh from against the cruel floor; the keen and ing) at the long-faded ferry on the young man. One evening a milithe great debates on the acquisition blood- ripping knife was held aloft be- Kentucky. of California and New Mexico as fore him for the last fatal thrust; but That river, unwearied, rolls on; of the cattle and on the same side of United States territories, and for hav- still the poor, pale face of the little trees of might have grown up in the the creek with them upon which the hero was set and defiant-his black tracks of those royal wheels, the lines

Hardly had Mr. Stephens reached it cut, and stuck fast and reached no now venerable head of the boy of the

Then quickly the wounds which Mr. | mitage. Whig gathering, and going up to him Stephens had received were examin- And now twenty-one years has this they rode at the head of the column, fevers-by the use of Hop Bitters. that you, for reasons of your own, have of an inch of his heart. An intercost- most respected citizen, Walter C. denounced me as a traitor to the south, al artery had been ont The doctors Bailey, whose life-boat is more than and I take this opportunity of asking declared that he would surely die. half-way across the river. ed, with a magnanimity of which few of the Kentucky, yet who can say ing, he refused to prosecute Cone, and blem of all? that person instead of getting his deserts in the dark cell of a state prison, was fined \$1,000, and, with his 'honor vindicated," was allowed to go free. To the day of his death Mr. Stephens and forgiveness. Not long ago refer- pose of their tarm and engage attempted to describe, and showing cousin living in Jersey City, and as me the great hole in his mangled they made up their mind to embark pened. away look in his deep, dark eyes : store where the rent was cheap in cinnati Commercial Gazette.

Andrew Jackson's Memory.

About 1822 or '23, a little, slender, knew this and, very much heated | blond boy of 14, clad in simply a sumand anoyed by the comments which | mer suit of shirt, hat and pants, was were being made upon him, wrote to the boatman of the ferry across the who succeeded his eldest brother, both divorced from his first wife. She Mr. Stephens demanding an immedi- romantic Kentucky river for the dirt recently sent to state prison. The gang went to Europe three years ago with ate and public retraction of the threat. road between Lexington and Harrods- were the first customers who dropped their child, and correspondence be-In reply Mr. Stephens wrote that burg. This ferry was at the pictur- in. They sampled Mr. Smith's liquors tween them of the most amicable the threat of slapping the judge's esque point nearly four miles below and opened accounts. They continu- character is known by certain of their face had been made contingent upon where the Kentucky receives the ed to call and indulge in free liquor friends to have been kept up until

after the carriage.

ander H. Stephens could allow no one had rowed all sately "o'er the terry," leaving, Smith said to the Judge: when he gave up attending parties alto speak to him in the fashion describ- when the supreme looking personage "I guess my wife and I will go back most entirely, which was thought due subject, "I have never been able to see ed. Judge Cone was a very giant in bade the driver water his team. Ap- to farming. I will give you my to great circumspection on his part size and muscular development, yet proaching the little ferry commander, address in Connecticut. Please notify during his wife's absence. She was the frail man whom he addressed, this lordly looking traveler said in the me when the trial is to take place, with aggravating politeness and with- most winsome words: "Here is your and I'll be here."-New York Her- tornian, Mr. Bancroft. out besitating a moment, remarked: 50 cents; and now, my little man, you ald. "Parden me sir, I have already writ- are very young for such responsibiliten you on that subject. I must de ties; I must ask your name." The Humorist's Saddest Day. boy answered, "Walter C-," Peck's Sun.

out uttering a word, he drew a keen- In the autumn of that year, when match on his boot. Why Tuesday?" took the fugitives, but did not attack them, pointed dirk knife and made one furi- the river was swollen and two colored asked the lady, as she wished for they were friends, and soon showed that ous thrust at his weak little adversary's boys were assisting our young boat- she could take a comb and friendship by hanging the dogs to a tree boys were assisting our young beatheart. Instantly as he did so, however, Stephens, seizing a stout umon the north side, Walter saw the
brella which he held in his left hand,

boys were assisting our young beatman, looking up the sublime heighth
on the north side, Walter saw the
brella which he held in his left hand,

boys were assisting our young beatstraighten out his hair, which seemed
to be scrambled. "Oh Tuesday, you
know, is the day we receive the Lonplantation of C. M Neel and put them on interposed it as a defense and arched necks driving that chariot of don humorous papers." The lady got the track, and two of the convicts were run was able for a moment to triumph, and he announced to his aids his name in an autograph album and down and captured, while the third is at hold him at arm's tength. The knife that Gen. Jackson was coming. This went away to engage a Chinese liberty. sell short of its mark. Once more it stately turnout halted upon the heighth laundryman to translate it. was thrust at Stephens, cutting a deep and the General thrust his head out gash in his arm, but reaching no vi- and asked: "Had I not better remain

ing, could long withstand such an at- be particular, for that is President Gen. Brisbin in the Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette. tack. Cone was determined to finish Monroe and wife in that rear carriage Last fall a large herd of big steers his work. He threw all his weight and Gen. Gaines on horseback in at- for market were being driven across against the umbrella which held him tendance" When all were safely over the country from Musselshell to Billaway from the man he intended to and all dues paid, these dignitaries ings, on the Northern Pacific railroad. kill. It broke; Stephens, half faint- passed out of the ht to this boy for all where they were to be shipped on the

"Retract, or I'll cut your cursed hands of the driver, not a bone or a "Cut! I'll never retract!" gasped those glittering vehicles have no Like a flash the knife came down, and hands that gave mould to na-With an almost superhuman effort tional glory, with those worthy wives cles, tendons and bones of the hand ters have rested their snows upon the

wounds. His hold upon the knife this aged boatman opened his pocketof the grave of the hero of the "Her- fort to check or control them further

ed. It was found that one of them leaf, a treasured souvenir, been car- one on each side of them swung to the If you have cough pimply, or had penetrated to within a sixteenth ried in the pocket of our worthy and

Happily their predictions were not And, though presidents and generverified. His life was spared by the als and our humi-lest citizens travel unremitting care of a surgeon, his de- upon trains that triumph over the voted friend, who as good fortune distance from Tennessee to Washingwould have it, happened to be in At- ton ere the best roadster from "Herlanta at the time. When he recover- mitage" could drink from the waters men are capable even of undestand- that the little yellow leaf is not an em-

> Going Back to the Farm. James Smith and wife lived happily

on a Connecticut farm for many yearsbut made little progress in accumula, spoke of him in terms of consideration | ting a fortune. They decided to dis ring to the terrible struggle I have business in this city. He has a hand, he said, with a quiet and far in business. They engaged a small "Poor Cone! I'm sure he'd be sorry if Jersey City, stocked it with groceries knew what trouble I have to write and liquors and waited the customers. with these stiff fingers of mine."-Cin- The spot they selected was at the up- in Philadelphia was in three days folper end of First streeet, the nest of lowed by a marriage in Baltimore. It thieves, several of whom are now ren- comment in army circles here, as of dering the state service. This gang- even the most intimate friends of the the worst in Jersey City-was until officer, Maj. A. H. Nickerson, were yesterday led by John Fetherson, aware that he had any desire to be until the old farmer-merchant, on within a year. No one in Washinghe (Mr. Cone) had pronounced to be Sitting and waiting and watching, Wednesday, objected to supplying ton knew of his divorce until the news untrue, and that such being the case on one of those sunny days, the one of the members of the gang un- of his marriage to Miss Carter of Balthere could be no cause for offense young ferryman saw coming from the less he wiped out the score on the timore, led to inquiry, and at first er angry feeling on either side. Un- south side a superb carriage drawn by slate. With the remark that he many of his moet intimate triends refortunately this letter was never re- four splendid white horses. The boat would wipe out the place the rough fused to believe that he was married. ceived by Judge Cone. Three or was instantly made ready for this roy- retired. A few minutes later a chunk The whole affair is regarded as very four days after it was written, hew- al reception, and the colored captain of concrete pavement crushed through mysterious in Washington. He was ever, he met Mr. Stephens on the of the whip and lines, perched upon the glass, demolished the show window retired a year or two ago at his own piazza of a hotel in Atlanta, and, dis- his proud pinnacle, promptly drove on and passed close to Smith. Fether- request, on account of wounds received regarding the gentleman's friendly the boat with an air of self-satisfaction. son and his gang then entered and during the war. He was stationed greeting, said in a very offensive tone. A tall, spare, majestic old gentleman, wrecked the place, and compelled in Washington nearly four years, be-neatest combinations ever produced, and "Mr, Stephens, I demand that you with a plain but impressive, little lady the aged couple to flee. They rela- ginning in 1878, and was a prominent my experience of that sort of thing has make an immediate retraction of your and her waiting maid, all walked on ted what occurred to Justice Stilsing. Featherson was arrested yesterday man club and frequently seen in soci-Siek and weak though he was, Alex- Soon the little chieftain of the craft and comitted for trial. Before ety until his wife went to Europe, speaker's friend, with a little yawn, as

"Am I to take this for your an- whereupon the courtly gentleman in- "I suppose you must have your sad it is learned that three convicts escaped troduced himself as Gen. Andrew days as well as anyone," said a lady from the plantation of Capt. M. G. Sennett. He has a large plantation and gives em-"It is the only answer I have to Jackson, and bidding Walter a pleas- to the editor of a Chicago humorous ployment to a number of convicts—so large, as you call them, are just as different as ployment to a number of convicts—so large, the moon is from green cheese. Now, liniant farewell, the royal wheels rolled paper. "What day of the week are in fact, as to make it necessary to keep "Then I denounce you as a misera- steadily away towards the capital of you the saddest?" and she beamed on bloodhounds to use in arresting any that ble little traitor," cried Cone, mad the United States of America. bear- him with a pitying look. "Well, let's may escape, and in keeping these dogs on with excitement. The last words ing along that man of hickory, whose had hardly left his lips when a light mission was doubtless to subdue the drawer in his deak and took out a had hardly left his lips when a light mission was doubtless to subdue the drawer in his desk and took out a them. This duty was performed by en, besides being always out of reach when came, wilded by the quick hand of criticism that was then wont to be pinch of tobacco and placed it in a Alf. Jones, Jake Tilgo and Abe Lingard, most wanted." the man he had insulted, left its red brought down in congress upon his briarwood pipe. "Tuesday, I believe, whites, who belonged to that class of conmilitary management. And of course is the most sad and mournful day to victs known as "trusties." These three me," and he heaved a sigh as he lit a were put on the trail, and they soon over-

no spirit however firm and unyield- said: "Now, Walter, I want you to Night Run of Cattle on the Drive.

two thousand head, I should judge, tary camp had been made just ahead herd had been driven. A storm and the whip have fallen from the was coming up, and the cattle ex hibited some signs of uneasiness. Mr. oof of those white and bays remain, De Hass sent word to the miltiary officer that he had better get his men, place new, those hearts and heads wagons and animals on the opposite side of the creek and out of the way, as he teared there was going to be a "night run." The herders were instructed to keep their horses saddled, and be ready to mount at a moment's notice. The cattle were very uneasy. getting up. lying down again, and shifting about as if uncomfortable. At last about midnight there came a sharp flash of lightning, followed by a heavy peal of thunder, and in an instant the whole herd were upon their feet. "Mount and whip out," cried De Hass, and the herder, who was at tion they were to go. All the others than to keep them going straight; right or left, and keeping the trail; sallow skin, bad breath, pains and bluffs and precipices were avoided, and the open flat ground courted. The run lasted about two hours when a gorge was being neaerd, in which the cattle would crowd and break their limbe. They were now quite tired, and the herders determined to exert their authority and stop the run. The head of the column was bent out en the prairie, and circled round and round until the cattle became tied up in a huge ball, and could not move at all. In this way they were obliged to stand until morning, the herders rilling round and round them, keeping them completely tied up. At daylight they were allowed to "open out." First the outer edge scattered, then layer after layer, until the huge pile of beef was once mere a herd, grazing quietly as if nothing had hap-

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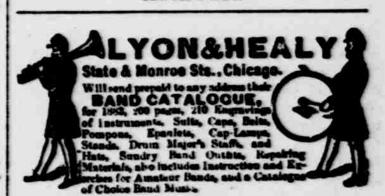
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